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Loving one another, building each other up

11th September 2020

Letter 3

Dear Parents,

Thank you for helping us with delivery and collection times for the children, being here at the allocated class time has made a big difference over the past few days. We are all getting used to the 'new normal' and the children are really good at keeping to their 'class bubbles'.

We ask our families to continue to follow the Governments latest rules on social distancing so that we can continue to operate in a safe way. Further information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing-after-4-july>

Covid-19 Symptoms

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above you must stay at home, current guidance is that those in the family home isolate for 10 days, arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19. Further guidance can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>. Testing can be booked at nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test or call 119.

Medicines in School

We continue with our policy of administering medicines in school only if other reasonable alternatives are not available. A medical form must be completed and signed by a parent prior to us administering medicines. If we hold medicines or inhalers for your child please check with the class teacher that they are in date and replace if necessary. We have been advised that all inhalers should be used with a spacer, if you do not have one please discuss with your medical practice.

Snacks in School

Children in Pre-School, Holly Leaves and Holly Berries will be issued with a free piece of fruit each day. We ask that children in Chestnut and Maple Classes bring a snack into school for their break, but we do ask that it is healthy such as, fruit, veggie snacks, crackers etc. We ask that they do not bring crisps or chocolate bars. Thank you.

Second-hand Uniform

Mrs Webb runs a second-hand uniform shop. If you have uniform that your child no longer needs please consider donating it to the second-hand shop. If you require second hand uniform please email Mrs Webb at

swebb@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk

Friends Association

The Friends Association are still meeting virtually and discussing ways of fund raising for the school in the current climate. If you would like to join the Friends Association or have ideas of fundraising please contact Mrs Tattersall or drop a message into the school office. New members are always welcome.

Head Teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick

Flu Immunisation Programme

Once again we have booked for the Flu Immunisation team to deliver the flu vaccination for children in Years Reception through to Year 6, they are not able to administer the vaccination to pre-school children or adults. They will be on the school site on Friday 2nd October, paperwork will be issued shortly and can be returned through an online system or paper copy. If returning a paper copy please place in a sealed envelope as this contains your personal information.

School Photographer

The School Photographer will be visiting on the morning on Wednesday 30th September to take individual and sibling group photos. This year we are not able to offer photos to anyone who does not currently attend the school or pre-school.

Transition to Secondary Schools

Year 6 pupils have received their packs inviting them to select which secondary school they may like to attend. Many secondary schools are not holding on site tours / open evenings. Please contact the school to find out what they are offering. If you arrange to visit during the normal school day please advise Miss May or the school office. Thank you. The closing date for applications is Saturday 31st October 2020.

Website / Twitter

Please continue to visit the school website www.littledeanprimary.co.uk and our twitter page @littledeansch on a regular basis, we will continue to post all letters, homework, and information about class activities.

Free School Meals

If your circumstances have changed over the past few weeks and you feel that you may be entitled to free school meals you can check your eligibility and apply for meals by visiting: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-transport-and-free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/> All applications will be treated in confidence.

Contact Details

As the vast majority of our communications will now be through email or postings on the website or twitter it is even more important that we have up to date contact details for you. If you or your emergency contacts have changed phone numbers, email addresses or have moved house please let us know as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or email admin@littledean.gloucs.sch.uk.

Term Dates

Term 1	Thursday 3 rd September 2020 – Friday 23 rd October 2020
Term 2	Monday 2 nd November 2020 – Friday 18 th December 2020
Term 3	Monday 4 th January 2021 – Friday 12 th February 2021
Term 4	Tuesday 23 rd February 2021 – Wednesday 31 st March 2021
Term 5	Monday 19 th April 2021 – Friday 28 th May 2021
Term 6	Tuesday 8 th June 2021 – Wednesday 21 st July 2021

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2021

Inset day 1	Tuesday 1 st September 2020	Staff only to attend
Inset day 2	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020	Staff only to attend
Inset day 3	Monday 22 nd February 2021	Staff only to attend
Inset day 4	Thursday 1 st April 2021	Staff only to attend
Inset day 5	Monday 7 th June 2021	Staff only to attend